

INFERIOR COURT, COBB COUNTY, GEORGIA.

JUNE 4, 1860.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the memorial of Samuel Lawrence and others, justices of the inferior court for the county of Cobb, in the State of Georgia, praying for an appropriation by Congress for the construction of a jail for the safe custody of United States prisoners, respectfully report :

That your committee referred the memorial to the Department of the Interior for information, and, in reply, have received the following communications :

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
May 1, 1860.

SIR : The memorial of the justices of the inferior court of Cobb county, Georgia, relative to an appropriation to aid in the erection of a jail at Marietta, and which was left by you at this department, was referred to the First Comptroller of the Treasury, and I have now the honor to transmit a copy of his report on the subject. The memorial is herewith enclosed.

Very respectfully,

J. THOMPSON,
Secretary.

Hon. GEO. S. HOUSTON,
House of Representatives.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Comptroller's Office, April 30, 1860.

SIR : I have the honor to acknowledge your reference to this office of the petition of the justices of the inferior court of Cobb, in the State of Georgia, asking Congress for an appropriation to aid in the erection of a new jail at Marietta. In compliance with your request

of the 28th instant, an examination of the United States marshal's accounts has been made with the view of ascertaining what amounts have been paid for keeping United States prisoners in the jail of said county in the last several years. The result is as follows :

During the year 1855 nothing was paid.

During the year 1856 there was paid..... \$12 06

During the year 1857 there was paid..... 151 17

During the year 1858 there was paid..... 82 87

In the month of April, 1859, there was paid..... 3 50

It is not deemed necessary to make an examination of the accounts prior to the year 1855, and the latest account received from the marshal is for the May term, 1859. The petition is herewith returned.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

W. MEDILL,
Comptroller.

Hon. JACOB THOMPSON,
Secretary of the Interior.

From the facts disclosed in the foregoing communications, your committee can see no ground for the appropriation asked for, and recommend that the appropriation be denied.